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REMARKS

In the Office Action dated September 1, 2006, pending Claims 1-19 were rejected and the rejection made final. Of these claims, Claims 1, 8, and 15 are independent claims; the remaining claims are dependent claims. An Amendment After Final was submitted on November 1, 2006, and an Advisory Action issued in which the rejection of the claims was maintained.

In this Second Amendment After Final, Applicants are canceling claims 1-15 and amending claims 16 and 18 into independent form, which the Examiner has previously indicated would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 16 as amended includes the subject matter of Claims 1-3. Likewise, Claim 18 as amended includes the subject matter of Claims 8-10. It should be noted these amendments are not in acquiescence of the Office's position on allowability of the claims, but merely to expedite prosecution.

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Applicants respectfully submit that it is not the amendments made herein and the Examiner's previous indication of allowable subject matter, the current application, including Claims 16-19, is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is hereby earnestly solicited. If there are any further issues in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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